and 1991-92 (upto February 1992) respec tively

(c) Production target of coffee during 1992-93 has been tentatively fixed at 1,50,000 tonnes Export target of coffee during 1992-93 has been tentatively fixed at 1 20 000 tonnes to earn foreign exchange of Rs 380 Crores

Benefits To Textile Workers In Kerala

4870 SHRI P C THOMAS Will the minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state

(a) whether the textile workers in Kerala are getting E S I super-annuation and other benefits at par with their counterparts in other states

(b) If not , the reasons therefor and

(c) The steps taken by Government in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI ASHOK GEHLOT) (a) to (c) As per the information made available, E S I , super annutation and other benefits are available to all the textile workers including those of Kerala under the E S I Act provided their monthly wages are up to Rs 1600 per month For the workers above the monthly wages of Rs 1600, the individual managements take care of the medical expenses and insurance expenses from the accidents Further, such areas are covered by workers Compensation Act 1923

Seafood Industry

4871 SHRI SANAT KUMAR MANDAL Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state

(a) whether many structural weaknesses of India's seafood industry came to light at the business session of the 3 day interna tional seafood fair which concluded on Feb ruary 9, 1992 at Cochin ,

(b) if so, the details thereof and

(c) the steps being taken in this regard particularly for massive technological upgradation at par with the international standards and product diversification to re main competitive in highly flexible interna-tional market ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI SALMAN KHURSHEED) (a) and (b) No specific structural weakness was highlighted by any of the participants However, the need for augmenting production both through deep sea fishing and aqua culture was stressed by most participants

(c) MPEDA has several schemes for increasing production and productivity and for modernisation of seafood industry There are as many as 52 IQF plants in the country A large number of exporters have installed state of the art freezing machines Dunng 1990—91 India exported seafood in value added form of Rs 100 crores, and there was a total export of Rs 893 Crores

[*Translation*]

Export Tax Evasion

4872 SHRI RAM LAKHAN YADAV Will the minister of FINANCE be pleased to stated

(a) the number of cases of duty evasion in exports detected during the last three years and the amount involved therein

(b) the number of customs officials found involved in such cases during the above period and

(c) the action taken against them ?